Tucson Unified School District
Technology Oversight Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Date: August 19, 2014
Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Location: Technology Conference Room
1010 E. Tenth St., Bldg. B

Committee Members Present: Doug Baker, Ashton Bergstrand (Vice Chair), Andrew Gardner, Harry McGregor (Chair), Steve Peters, Lori Riegel

Committee Members Absent: Cindy Dooling, Michael Hicks (Board Member), Cam Juárez (Board Member)

Staff Members Present: Rabih Hamadeh, Damon Jackson (CTO), Bob Kramer, Andrea Marafino, Yolanda Peña, Kevin Startt

Guests: None

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS: Approval of May 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes – Doug Baker moved to approve the minutes, Steve Peters seconded the motion and all approved

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS:

- Introductions – New and existing TOC members and TUSD staff provided introductions to the group.
- Discussion and information sharing regarding the role of the TOC – Harry provided an overview of the TOC, noting that the committee was established to offer oversight and recommendations to the district due to historic issues with procurement.
- Update from TUSD CTO
  - New/Upcoming Activities
    - Start of School – Over the summer, the field tech support team was successfully restructured and XP was eliminated from most systems. From a technology standpoint, the school year is off to a good start.
    - Communications – The Communications and Media Relations Department is now part of Technology Services.
    - ERP – The project is ongoing and is currently being spearheaded by the Finance Department. The application will be virtualized with the following systems currently in the process of being evaluated/replaced: Payroll, CMMS, Food Services, Time and Attendance, Student Finance. The committee expressed concern over the lack of TOC involvement in the acquisition of the new ERP system, Tyler Infinite Visions.
    - SIS – This project is being led by Technology Services. The state awarded the SIS contract to Edupoint, however, TUSD is still in the process of conducting an assessment to determine if Edupoint meets the district’s needs.
  - Modernization Initiatives – The ITIMI project is fundamentally complete. While wireless is now available district-wide on district-owned devices, public Wi-Fi is not currently available to students.
  - Impending RPFs and RFIs – SIS, Data Warehouse and Information Systems Consulting
- Educational Technology Update / Instructional Technology Plan
  - A.R.S. 15-701 states that TUSD needs to have a district-wide reading intervention for third grade and below – these interventions are currently being deployed.
  - The ParentLink mass notification was recently launched to communicate with parents/guardians regarding emergencies, announcements, absences, etc.
  - TUSD 5-Year Strategic Plan – An instructional technology plan is being discussed to align with the district’s strategic plan.
- School Clock Synchronization – District clocks are stand-alone devices and currently not centrally synchronized. There is a pilot program in place with the goal of getting district clocks synchronized in the future.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE: No audience present

FUTURE MEETING DATE: The next meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2014. (Meeting cancelled due to weather.)

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:01 p.m.